

Project Proposal for the period April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027

Submitted to Asha for Education, Princeton Chapter

by

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Despite the passage of the **Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education act** on April 1, 2010, Indian school systems find it challenging to provide eight years of quality education to children which should help them acquire basic literacy and numeracy, enjoy learning without fear, and feel valued and included irrespective of what families they come from.

Kabir Foundation works in the Khajuraho area. We are providing quality education in an after-school program to children of Kunderpura village since last ten years. It seems that many of the other villages are also suffering from similar issues. On multiple occasions, we have visited such areas to solve cases. Adivasi children, in particular, are living in vulnerable situations and do not have the safety and protection that they deserve.

We are grateful to have received invaluable financial help from the Princeton Chapter of Asha for Education during 2025-26 and are submitting this proposal in order to continue with our mission.

Work of Kabir Foundation:

For the past 10 years, Kabir Foundation has been working for the upliftment of Adivasi families in Kunderpura village with a special focus on providing enrichment to the school-going children so that they learn skills sorely absent in the school-curriculum and develop self-confidence.

Through hard work and perseverance under the leadership of Shri Rajendra Singh, Kabir Foundation has acquired a 2-acre land within walking distance of Kunderpura village.

The property is landscaped so that it is a tranquil refuge and a learning centre for the children of the village. Flowers and vegetable plants take up about half of the area. A structure has been built for holding gatherings and conducting after-school classes for the children. There is enough open area where the children can assemble when the weather is pleasant. A kitchen has been set up for preparing snacks and refreshments.

Equipped with a large screen TV and 5 laptops, the computer training program is very popular with the students.

Current Activities:

All children from Kunderpura village are welcome to attend the After-School Enrichment Program at Kabir Foundation which runs up to 4 hours every week day. Only Adivasi families live in the village. 75 boys and 50 girls are in the program but not all attend every day.

On a typical day, the children may learn: fine arts (music and dance), elementary English (which is not taught in the government school), sports activity (the government school has no playground), health issues, personality development, general knowledge etc. Nutritious refreshments are served before dismissal.

Budget proposal for the period April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027:

To continue our work, we request funding from Asha for Education, Princeton Chapter in the amount of Rs. 20,40,000. The break-up of estimated expenses is as described below.

Description	Per month	Per year
Honorarium for full-time project manager	40,000	480,000
Honorarium for 3 teachers at Rs. 9,000 per month	27,000	324,000
Honorarium for computer teacher at Rs. 15,000 per month	15,000	180,000
Refreshments for 100 children	40,000	480,000
Honorarium for cooking lady	4,000	48,000
Salary of helper	5,000	60,000
Sports equipment (skateboards, cricket set, archery set)		100,000
Supplies, equipment and stationery	5,000	60,000
Celebrations on January 26 and August 15		28,000
Summer Camp for 25 days (2 Teachers)		30,000
Five scholarships to cover boarding and lodging@ 50,000/year/child		250,000
Total for 2026-27 (in Indian rupees)		20,40,000